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## SGA Draws Up Homecoming Plans

The 1973 Salisbury State College Homecoming will be held on November 2, 3, and 4th this year. Discussing the arrangements and making final decisions was the Homecoming Committee of SGA, the members deciding that this year there will be no construction of floats for parade competition. Instead, the decision is to provide for displays by living groups and organizations which will then be judged with winners receiving

cash prizes.

Specific clubs, dormitories, or other groups or organizations on campus are eligible for competition.

A highlight of the occasion will be the crowning of the Homecoming Queen during halftime of the football game on Saturday, at which time the Queen will be greeted by President Crawford's salubrious salutation.

Homecoming activities will begin on Friday evening, November 2, with a concert at the Delmarva Convention Hall featuring McKendree Springs from 8:30-9:30. At 10:00 there will be a bonfire in the Quadrangle, lasting for an hour. On hand will be the SSC Band, the cheerleaders, the football team, and Coach Yobst who will make a few remarks in anticipation of victory.

On Saturday morning at 10:00 there will be a lacrosse game, and at 10:30 judging will begin on the displays entered into competition, probably in the Student Union Building. Pre-game activities will begin at 1:00 at Wicomico County Stadium with the game between SSC and American University getting underway at 1:30.

From 9:00-1:00 that night will be the Homecoming Dance at Delmarva Convention Hall featuring "Legend" from Baltimore. Attire for the dance is semi-formal, men wearing coats and ties and women dressing accordingly. In addition, students are asked not to bring alcoholic beverages to the dance because there will be a cash bar in operation and Maryland state law will be in effect.

Finally, on Sunday, November 4, Nanticoke Hall will play Manokin Hall in a "Powder Puff Football" game at 1:00. At 8:00 a film entitled "Friends" will be presented in Devilbiss 149.

## Band's Activities For Semester Told

Mr. Charles Smith, SSC's Band Director, has announced the band's coming activities for the remainder of this semester.

The State College Jazz Ensemble is scheduled to perform in Holloway Hall on November 29. In addition to the ensemble, the concert band is to play during halftime at Homecoming on November 3. They will present music featuring the "Music of Homecoming Through the Centuries," including old as well as contemporary numbers.

The band's final half-time show will be on November 10. Members will finish the football season featuring the music of Blood, Sweat and Tears and Chicago.

Also scheduled for this semester is an indoor band program featuring highlights of the marching season. Mr. Smith says that one half of that program will be devoted to playing serious concert scores.

## Department Chairmen Attend Retreat

Chairmen of SSC's sixteen academic departments held a two day Retreat at the Seascope Motel in Ocean City on November 1 and 2 to discuss mutual concerns.

The self-convening group has elected Professor Eugene Farace, chairman of the Department of Geography, to put together an agenda for its meetings. So far this semester department heads have met by themselves every two weeks in addition to a monthly meeting with Dean Erskine. The purpose of the meetings and the Retreat is to find better ways of doing what chairmen do and to develop more consistency of action among the several departments.

The Ocean City meeting was held to enable chairmen to get away from ever-present local pressures and to have time to thrash out problems that cannot be handled in an hour's session every two weeks. Specific matters on the agenda include the important issue of evaluating performance of the faculty. Presently a rather abbreviated form listing a teacher's strengths and weaknesses is sent to the Academic Dean and serves as a basis for decision about raises and promotions. The Dean has expressed the difficulty of making judgments on the basis of information on the form, and has asked the chairmen to help design a better system — one that will be fair, inclusive of important areas in which teachers should be judged, and reasonably consistent.

Department chairmen resist any kind of evaluation form that simply permits them to put checks under a number on a scale because such a system tends to lead to a numerical score which might be misinterpreted. In addition there are problems arising from the fact that different standards have to be used to evaluate teachers in different disciplines. What an art professor does is obviously different from what a history professor or a biology lab teacher or a physical education instructor does, and each cannot easily be evaluated by the same system.

Other matters of importance include faculty hiring. Chairmen must be certain to make every effort to hire women faculty or members of minority groups in order that SSC's faculty be reasonably balanced.

## Foreign Study Programs — Novel Way To Learn

In two years, from a time when no study abroad experiences were available, SSC students now have the opportunity to travel abroad and gain credit in a variety of subjects including art, English, geography, history, modern languages, and political sciences—to name the major areas. In one of the modern language programs a student can gain credit in virtually any major available on campus.

The new programs grow out of an experimental tour for one semester hour credit conducted in the spring mini-semester of 1973. During that trip to England students gained credit in art, English, or business. Based to a degree on that experience, three tours have been developed by several departments.

Leaving May 9th for a 22 day tour in Belgium, Germany, France, Italy, and Switzerland is the Ge-

ography - History - Modern Language - Political Science group directed by Professors Eugene Farace, Ray Thompson, and Paul Moreay. It involves a minimum of three and a maximum of six credit hours in history 399, geography 399, French 399 or either of the independent study courses offered by the Department of Geography or the French Division of Modern Languages. One can also audit a course. Basic fee is \$699, including air fare from New York (with transportation furnished from SSC to JFK Airport), room, all transportation in Europe with use of a bus and chauffeur. Included are highlights such as wine tasting in France. According to Mr. Moreay, "the study uses travel only as a complement to a comprehensive understanding of people, society, and area." The academic part starts with ten lectures given on campus prior to departure.

The second trip, departing SSC on May 14, is sponsored by the Departments of Art and English, involving travel in England, Holland, Germany, Switzerland, and Italy. It, too, may be taken for either three hours of credit in English or art or both; students may also audit the courses. They are English 410 (Independent Study) and Art 390 (Special Topics in Studio Art). Again, the trip is complementary to study and research done prior to departure in which students choose topics related to literature or art of the nations involved and do work on the continent related to those subjects. The basic cost for this 22 day trip is \$519 which includes transportation to Kennedy and return, air fare, room, one meal per day, a half day guided tour in each city visited, and transportation costs. This group will travel by rail rather than by bus between points. Directing this tour are Professors James Burgess of the Art Department and Duane Nichols of English, both of whom participated in the 1973 trip.

The third tour, under direction of Professor John Knowles, involves a May 15 - June 1 trip to Mexico with concentration in the Mexico City area. The trip's \$500 cost includes the usual features plus round trip air fare from Salisbury. A special feature of this program is that it is available for credit in a variety of disciplines. If a student does not wish to take the course for credit in modern languages, he may take it for independent study credit in virtually any campus discipline. To do so he must find a sponsor in any academic department who will supervise his research and study and who will work out details of credit with Professor Knowles.

This group will be visiting businesses in Mexico as well as the usual galleries, museums, historical sites, and archaeological sites. Possibilities for three hours of academic credit are wide in this group.

All three tours are open to Salisbury State College students, faculty, staff, alumni, and friends. In addition to the basic prices, participants must pay a \$10 registration fee and \$25 per credit hour. Other incidental expenses such as passports and immunization must also be paid by the participants.

In each case details have been carefully worked out to give students the most for their money. While the prices vary from \$500 to \$699, in terms of time and particular services available, all tours are comparable in price.

College officials see the tours as part of the constantly expanding services available to SSC students as the college grows both in number of students and in programs. If the interest in these trips can be taken as any indication, SSC seems to be becoming ever more cosmopolitan in its outlook and offerings.

## Advisory System Undergoes Changes

A voluntary, department-based advisory system is now being operationalized on the Salisbury State College campus as the result of widespread support for modifications of the old system. The changes were endorsed unanimously at the October 8 meeting of department chairmen. Details of the revised advisory system are presently being worked out so that they will be effective for the November preregistration. Briefly, the new system will work like this:

- Each department will designate an office (probably the chairmen's) to be the center for information and advice regarding each major. Advisee folders are expected to be kept in one office.
- Each student desiring advice typically will go to the department member of his choice, and make arrangements to secure his folder and be advised. Since folders will be kept in a central location, students will not be dependent upon one specific advisor.
- Students who have not declared majors or who want to major in general liberal studies may go to the Academic Counselor's Office, 103 Holloway Hall, for advice or be assigned to a department in his area of concentration (e.g. art, music, political science, etc.).
- The system will be voluntary. Students who do not want advice will not have to go to advisors. Signatures on program planning sheets will not be required.
- Students will have more responsibility and will obtain the advice they need and be responsible for their academic programs.
- Departments will see that they adequately advise all of their majors. Faculty mem-

bers will not have to advise students majoring outside of their academic area as has been the case in the past.

The Academic Dean's Office and Academic Counselor's Office will function in a supportive advisory role, helping departments and students disseminate and receive adequate information, and handling special problems.

Since advisors will not be assigned by the Academic Dean's Office, less paper work and delay should result as the system becomes decentralized, closer to departments.

John Sartorius, Academic Counselor, states that "The College's mounting enrollment and cumbersome red tape in our present system of advising prompted a slightly new approach. Most importantly, it was perceived that many students were not obtaining adequate advice, but rather were in search of signatures. I expect that our changed orientation toward advising will increase the flow of useful information directly from departments to their major students."

Dean Erskine commented that the new aspects of the advisory system "put into practice what we have said all along. The student is responsible for meeting graduation requirements. The new advisory system insures that students who want advising will get it, and it provides better coordination between the majors and the departments. We're getting more return for less red tape."

Some snags are expected to be present during the next few weeks, since many advisory folders will be sent from current advisors to departmental offices. In addition, many departments will need to organize their procedures. After the initial bugs are worked out, the new system is expected to be more efficient and less troublesome than any before it.



## The FLYER's First Issue

Welcome to the first issue of the new College newspaper. Let me explain to you some of the facts about this paper and what it will attempt to do.

This periodical is now the official College newspaper for Salisbury State. It is funded by the SGA through the students' activity fee, although we will supplement our budget by selling advertising space. The paper is not the mouthpiece or public relations organ of the SGA, the administration, or any other group; it is student-run, and will express student opinions. By the same token, it is not anti-SGA, anti-administration, or anti-anything. We will be putting out an issue every other week, and soon hope to have 8-page issues.

The newspaper will be as good in journalistic style as the staff and I can possibly make it. News articles will contain only honest reporting, and only by-lined articles will be allowed the freedom to give personal or eye-witness accounts of events. At no time will news stories contain editorializing. Editorials will also be restrained by journalistic standards and an obligation to treat both sides of an issue fairly. Recognizing this obligation for objectivity, as well as realizing that this paper is a student publication designed to represent ALL students, the newspaper will invite guest editorials from people with oppos-

ing viewpoints. We also invite signed letters to the editor (sent to Student Union Box 915) which, if space permits, we will try to publish.

Only campus news events, or other news which may affect college students, will be reported in this newspaper. Since the paper is published every other week, any national or even local news were to report would be old by the time you read it. Besides, we aren't trying to compete with the local daily or weekly papers, but to supplement them, filling in a major news gap. After all, since this is a college newspaper, it is uniquely suited to report events of student interest not handled by larger publications.

As you can see by the first issue, the newspaper is still far from being the quality communications medium this campus deserves. But the newspaper can only be as good as the people who work for it and support it, trite as that may sound. If you would like to join our staff, just drop me a note in the newspaper mailbox. If you don't want to be a staff member, we would still like you to participate in your school paper by writing to the editor about your opinions or suggestions and letting your voice be heard.

Sincerely,

Luis Luna  
Editor

## What Happened To the Informer?

The *SSC Flyer* is now the official newspaper. Why? Here, presented as fairly as possible, is the story behind what happened to the *Informer* and how the *Flyer* came into being.

Last year, the *Informer* was made into a corporation, "Informer Publications, Inc." which is a non-profit organization designed to supply SSC with a newspaper. The corporation has officers, a board of directors, and a lawyer and can sell advertising. But the corporation was not part of the SGA, and some differences between the *Informer* and the SGA ensued.

Before the beginning of the semester, the new *Informer* editor Marty Saia, and the SGA President, Tom Taylor, worked out a set of agreements by which to clear up the problems caused by the existence of the corporation. A letter sent to Mr. Saia by Mr. Taylor, after the agreements, set down the policies to be followed by the *Informer* if it were to receive financial aid from SGA:

"As per our conversations on July 17, 1973 and August 9, 1973, we have agreed to the following terms concerning the *SSC Informer*. These agreements are negotiated by me as president of the Student Government Association and chairman of the SGA Executive Board and you as the current editor of the *Informer*. On behalf of the Executive Board, we have agreed to the following:

- 1) Immediate dissolving of the currently constituted *SSC Informer* Corporation
- 2) Restructuring of the newspaper staff under the guidance of the SGA Communications Advisory Board, which is responsible to the SGA and its constituency for the newspaper and other forms of communication.
- 3) Your appointment as Editor is an interim one subject to confirmation by the Communications Advisory Board.

- 4) By restructuring, the newspaper must
  - a) Provide a newspaper every two weeks.
  - b) Negotiate a printing contract for all newspaper printings to cover the academic term of 1973-74.
  - c) All monies received from advertising or other income to be deposited in the Financial Services Office of Salisbury State College. All income will be credited to the newspaper's budget account.
  - d) All financial transactions must be done through the state payment system which includes having a specifically designated "Business Manager," keeping records of all transactions, such records to be acceptable to both the SGA treasurer and the college financial offices.
  - e) Selection and use of a new name for the newspaper.
  - f) Selection of a new advisor—preferably from the English-communication area.

- 5) The SGA will provide the following under the restructuring:
  - a) Membership on the Communications Advisory Board as stated in the SGA Constitution.
  - b) Financial responsibility for the publication of a newspaper—the budget for the 1973-1974 term to be approximately \$4600-\$4800.
  - c) All Student Government services which are provided for other SGA communications organizations. This will include provisions of SGA resources, a typewriter and telephone.
  - d) Telephone service is included in the newspaper's budget. Use of the telephone must follow the SGA system of accounting for all long-distance calls by use of a

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## Emotions At High Pitch At Meeting On New General Education Requirements

At an open meeting about the possibility of change in general education requirements for SSC students, over forty faculty members and several students argued about whether or not those basic requirements should be changed.

The Academic Council's Subcommittee on General Education Requirements, chaired by biology's Dr. Bill Standaert, called the meeting to sample student and faculty opinion about proposed changes.

### Faculty Evaluation Gets Sidetracked

Last year, during midsemester, the Student Government Association sponsored a Faculty Evaluation of Salisbury State College. The original intent of the evaluation was to provide information about courses and instructors for the freshmen to use at orientation and for chairmen of each department to use in their evaluation of their staff.

The results from the evaluation have just returned from the computer and need to be interpreted. Since the results were not ready for registration they will be submitted to the department chairmen only. SGA President Tom Taylor stated that the evaluation has no other use now; it was supposed to show if students got what they wanted out of a course. He feels that this evaluation didn't prove this and the matter of the students' evaluation of the faculty will be turned over to the Student Academic Council.

Each faculty member that participated in the evaluation received a rating of A—superior, B—above average, C—average, D—below average, or F—very poor on twenty questions such as their knowledge of the subject, evaluating procedures, ability to relate subject matter, interest and enthusiasm in subject, tolerance of different ideas, and preparation for class meeting.



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Now the general education requirements comprise forty-five semester hours which must be taken by all SSC students in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the B.S. or B.A. degrees.

The Subcommittee, composed of Standaert, education's Dr. Bozman, and Associate Academic Dean Kundell, was pressured by Dean Erskine at an October 10 Academic Council meeting to submit any recommendations as soon as possible. Dean Erskine argued that any changes in the basic requirements would produce strong impact on staffing needs for next year. For example, should the faculty eventually require a philosophy course for every student, the three man Department of Philosophy would have to expand to six or seven professors. Should English 102 no longer be required, the English Department would need three or four fewer professors to handle department load.

Dean Erskine's demand that the Subcommittee act soon if it were going to act at all has been diversely interpreted. Some faculty members thought he was exerting excessive pressure on the Subcommittee to change requirements, probably to do away with most causing some consternation among nothing more than a reasonable plea to act, if at all, in order that staffing needs for the 1974-75 school year could be decided soon. (Most new faculty members are hired between January and March.)

During the week of October 10-16 rumors abounded among the faculty. The word was that, for example, history and English requirements would be abolished. The Gulls are Abilene Christian of ticularly among junior, untenured members of those departments. Most faculty members seemed concerned about the sanctity of general ed requirements, basing their concern on what fundamental kinds of knowledge an educated person can be said to have. Interdepartmental rivalries were heightened and, apparently, some behind-the-scenes bargaining took place.

With this background the October 16 meeting took place. Dr. Standaert asserted that the Subcommittee was trying to gather data upon which to base a recommended change. The faculty and students in attendance insisted that before any change be recommended, the Subcommittee demonstrate that a change was necessary, that inadequacies exist in the present system. (In order for

any change to take place, the Academic Council would have to act upon the Subcommittee's recommendation, and the general faculty would have to vote upon any recommendation of the Academic Council.)

Tempers flared and pulses raced at the meeting over matters of definition. What is a liberal education? What is a general education requirement? The audience insisted that such definitions are necessary prior to any evaluation of the present system and that evaluation is a step necessarily prior to any recommended change. The members of the Subcommittee did not demonstrate to the satisfaction of the faculty and students that such definition and evaluation had taken place prior to the recommended changes the Subcommittee had in mind. Professor Bozman said nothing. Dean Kundell spoke to the issue and read a suggested revision he planned to submit. Professor Standaert tried not to inject his opinions about change into the discussion.

Despite repeated requests, no person advocating changes either liberal or conservative in the general ed requirements spoke up. After a ninety minute meeting, Mr. Michael Marson, instructor of history, moved that no changes in the general education requirements be made until the Subcommittee had evaluated the present system and demonstrated specific need for a change. There were no dissenting votes.

Members of the Subcommittee had difficulty in sensing the meaning of the motion, and further argument about procedure and fundamentals ensued. Those students attending the meeting, all upperclassmen, seemed either content with the status quo or willing to support change along more conservative lines. Those who did speak out supported more rigorous requirements, especially in English composition.

The issue of general education requirements is central to the destinies of SSC students. Roughly one-and-a-half years of a student's four year college experience are devoted to these general education requirements. Any survey of student opinion is inconclusive, but it seems reasonable to assume that most SSC students don't care very much one way or another. All of which makes the genuine concern about the subject at this meeting seem even more futile.

What action the Subcommittee will take in the future seems uncertain.

## Student-Faculty Coalition Formed To Air Gripes

The Student-Faculty Coalition is a group of interested students and faculty members who meet informally once a week to discuss problems that confront people at Salisbury State College. The administration is open to constructive recommendations from the student body and this group hopes to stimulate students to think about proposals that would solve some of the problems.

The Student-Faculty Coalition is planning to petition the college to improve the nutrition in the cafeteria and to keep the library open on weekdays and weekends. They would also like to keep a part of the Student Union open until 2:00 a.m., for example, to give students some place to go after the library closes to talk or study instead of just sitting in their rooms.

There are no officers of the Student-Faculty Coalition and no formal leadership. Anyone can lead a discussion, ask a question, make a proposal, or start a debate. They are in no way connected with any other student or administrative organization such as the SGA; their purpose is to advise and make recommendations to these groups.

Besides dealing with the practical problems at S.S.C., the Coalition is also exploring the nature of education on campus. By investigating both the students and faculty's attitude toward learning, they hope to establish a dialog among the students and faculty through which the question "why am I here?" can be answered.

## Counseling Service Expands To Meet Placement Requirements

Running, running and running isn't only an exercise stint for Dr. Robert J. McBrien who claims that it is a full time job. Though he misses fewer than 10 days a year of running five miles daily, his main pre-occupation is with running the Counseling Service which has expanded this year to include the services of another professional counselor, Mrs. Addie Marshall.

According to Dr. McBrien, the counseling program has several objectives: to promote the development of students beyond relieving immediate problems; to resolve problems in communication between students and instructors; to recommend test policy changes and development of student leadership; and finally testing.

The counseling program, growing out of a volunteer program consisting of faculty and students under the leadership of former Student Life Director, Robert Hassmiller, is frequented by an increasing number of students. Dr. McBrien observes that the busiest time of the year for his staff and for former counseling staffs has always been at midsemester and pre-programming because people need to talk to someone when they need to make a critical decision.

From statistics that he has gathered in his *First Annual Report, 1972-1973*, McBrien points out that the greatest number of people who use the college's Counseling Service are usually those who are having academic problems. Few students, however, have sought advice about vocations that may be open to them.

The Counseling Service works in conjunction with the Placement Office which is under the direction of Mr. Robert Yobst, Dean of Men. According to Dr. McBrien, the Placement Office provides a student an opportunity to get "eyeball to eyeball" with a potential employer by providing information in steps to be completed by the student. McBrien also advises job seekers to meet with employers such as principals, to observe a school area that interests them, and to call back the personnel offices after a number of weeks have passed rather than wait until July.

In addition, he urges students to make use of the current Directory of Education in the library to obtain the names of superintendents of the different school systems that they plan to apply to. He explained that by writing directly to the superintendents a student may receive faster action on his application than if he merely com-

poses a form letter to a personnel office with the general salutation of "gentlemen."

"The principal objective is the absolute necessity to hustle and phone back the potential employer to become aware of the status of your application," Dr. McBrien added.

The Director of the Counseling Service related that slightly more than half of all the students who used the Placement Office last semester reported back to that office that they had successfully found jobs. Due to the grave shortage of positions, he predicted that more students will use the placement service to seek vocational advice. Two weeks ago Dean Yobst's office, in conjunction with the counseling service, held a job hunting seminar that was attended by only 45 students. McBrien stated that, if students are interested, the Counseling Service and the Placement Office will conduct more programs to aid the job hunter.

Dr. McBrien mentioned that of those seniors who file placement papers now, about 50% of them will have jobs by June 1. However, he added, some employers are still hiring for September positions as late as July and August.

Another major function of the Counseling Service is the administration of different tests, which according to Dr. McBrien, are supposed to serve as a means of communication between the counselor and the student. He added that among a variety of tests that his office administers are personality, vocational, and study technique tests. Furthermore, he continued, these tests should help the student obtain a better understanding of himself and of his objective.

Also administered by his office are the tests of the Educational Placement Service (EPS) that are well-known to seniors who are aspiring candidates to graduate school programs. No longer a requirement for graduation from SSC, these tests include the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) and the National Teacher's Exam (NTE). In spite of the change in requirements for graduation, McBrien's *First Annual Report* cites as evidence that the most widely taken exam is still the GRE, with 294 people sitting for it last year.

Dr. McBrien is currently working on a Bill of Rights for test takers. He explains, "We are coming into an era of student rights, and they (the students) have got their rights here too."



Dave Dutscher, Director of the Computer Center, sits beside one of the center's newest Univacs.

### Expanded Computer Center Open for Business

In one of the deepest, darkest, most remote corners of Holloway Hall—the basement at the northwest corner of the main building, to be precise—exists the most sophisticated, complex equipment to be found on the Salisbury State College campus. It is the Computer Center, clicking away under the eye of its director, Mr. Dave Dutscher.

Among the many tasks performed by the Center are the recording of grades and the increasingly complex scheduling of classes. All information on every student at SSC is processed through this center on its new machines, not all of which have yet been finely tuned to the acme of their potential. The Center daily services the programs of thirty to forty students.

Open Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., the Center and its equipment are at the disposal of any student or faculty member. All a student need do to use the services is to obtain an account number from Mr. Dutscher.

In addition to serving the day-to-day operation of the college, the Computer Center is part of an ever increasing attention to computers on the campus. Experts on campus in addition to Mr. Dutscher are Mr. Ronald Phipps, Associate Registrar, who regularly does class schedules and add-drops on the machine, and Drs. Lee May of Mathematics and Associate Dean of Students Fred Kundell, both of whom teach classes in computer programming. Through programs planned by Dr. Kundell and Mr. Dutscher, the computer prints class rosters, grade lists, class changes and other similar documents. While it might not seem to the student that his enrollment goes any faster with the computer than without it, the time is less. More important, perhaps, is that with the computer, the college has available various documents and information about its students it simply never could have without it. For example, soon to be released are computer printouts identifying all students by major, information that would take hundreds of hours to compile without this service.

Mr. Dutscher invites all students to visit the Center and to learn of some of the services available. According to him, "I think each student should have at least a basic knowledge of computers as part of their educational experience." With the increasing impact of computer technology on our daily lives, that seems to be a good idea.

#### CHANGE PLACES

Maybe we should change places  
With our neighbors  
And see what their life is like  
So we can understand  
Ourselves better. (Sue Bartlett)

## Obiter Dicta

("Things said by the way")

### LOVE

When you think the most beautiful thing is not a sunset,  
But the joy of watching it together.  
Going to the park, walking, laughing, talking, listening,  
Just hold hands.  
Asking about each other's day.  
Being proud of each other's accomplishments.  
A feeling of being incomplete when you're apart.  
When giving a part of yourself You feel whole.  
Sharing a laugh, a sadness, a moment . . .  
A life. (Author Unknown)

### POSIES

You make flowers of my hours.  
Today was a bouquet. (Author Unknown)  
I need time to think  
Time to wonder  
Time to discover something new  
Time to live fully  
Time to express myself  
Time to laugh  
Time to communicate with friends  
Time to help someone else in need  
Time to learn and most of all  
Time to love someone special . . .  
Like you (Sue Bartlett)

## Departments Announce New Courses For Spring

To prepare for studying abroad, to gain an insight into politics and literature, to study the Ancient Near-East, to study different dialects of the English language, to study the history of science and technology—these courses and many more are, or will be, offered this year at SSC.

Helping to prepare students for a second cultural experience as well as to develop sensitivity to other cultures is the goal of the Modern Language Department under Dr. John Knowles.

Next semester, his department will be offering the new course entitled "Latin American People," a course for students who plan to visit Mexico during the mini-semester in May.

Instead of traditionally learning grammar in a foreign language, emphasis will be placed on customs and culture. Dr. Knowles explains that language and culture come alive with this approach.

The course will also include a unit on non-verbal communication and a unit in carrying on rudimentary conversations. In an effort to find out the how and why of a foreign culture, the course will ask what a Mexican does in his daily affairs, or how families spent their time together. Dr. Knowles says that language will only be a means towards an end to understand the culture.

The English Department offers a variety of new programs. Especially recommended for elementary education majors who will soon be teaching the new English out of the Roberts series is Introduction to the Study of Language, a course designed for people with little or no language background.

Also new is Dialectology, a course designed to make students aware of the fascinating differences between dialects. Receiving emphasis will be the several Eastern Shore dialects, and students will gain field experience in interviewing and collecting dialect evidence.

The old folklore program is being expanded and divided. New next semester will be a course in Mythology which examines myths ranging from Classical through Christian to modern ethnic myths. The old folklore course will become Folklore and Folkways and will include field collection of folktales from area residents.

In addition, under the aegis of English 300 Studies in English, several special courses will be given with separate sections in the Russian novel, the novella and short fiction, politics and litera-

ture, satire, and Milton.

Study of the Ancient Near-East is one of several concentration courses that are currently being offered to SSC students. The course, taught by the History Department's Dr. G. Ray Thompson, is to introduce students to cultures of the Ancient East. According to Dr. Thompson, there is very little textual information available. As a result, the study of archaeological digs will help to reconstruct history for the students.

"To examine the evolution of science and technology in the Western World" is how Mr. Norman M. Johnson describes the new course "History of Science and Technology" he is teaching. Mr. Johnson's class will first study the basic scientific ideas of ancient Greece and other old civilizations, then concentrate on the influence of the Seventeenth Century scientific revolution on later centuries.

### SNEA Is Organized

In an effort to involve more education majors in their profession, Geraldine Rossi, advisor of the Student National Educational Association, held the group's first organizational meeting on October 8. Gail Ehinger was elected president at this meeting, with the vice-presidency going to Sylvester Burke. Debra Elliott was chosen as secretary-treasurer, and Pam Howard was made SGA representative.

At this meeting Ms. Rossi made a few suggestions about possible future projects for the SNEA. She suggested contacting big business to find out what displays can be furnished for school and what equipment is available for audiovisual aids and teaching aids. Another suggestion was that SNEA members work more closely with tutoring programs and branch out into secondary educational needs as well as elementary education areas.

Faculty members mentioned that they could use trainees who want to gain valuable experience in their particular fields of study. As part of professional growth, Ms. Rossi has organized and will sponsor local observation of National Education Week and will also sponsor SNEA members attending Leadership Conventions.

Membership fee for SNEA is \$7. This includes a subscription to the SNEA journals *Today's Education* and *Student Impact*, student teaching insurance, travel discounts, and liability and accident insurance.

### "Wait Until Dark" Preparations To Be Completed Soon

Work on the Salisbury State Theatre's production of "Wait Until Dark" is nearing completion, in preparation for the play's opening November 9.

While the play's set is being built in the Caruthers Hall Auditorium, rehearsals are being conducted in an Asbury Methodist Church classroom. The cast has been working more than three hours every night on rehearsals alone.

"Wait Until Dark" is a Frederic Knott suspense drama about three men who plot to steal a doll from a blind girl's apartment. Unknown to Susy, the blind girl, the doll is stuffed with heroin. The criminals take advantage of Susy's blindness to carry on a complex scheme to get the drugs.

Freshman Lisa Lawson is playing Susy, a role she describes as challenging. Miss Lawson has had to learn to get around the set as

if she really were blind. "The trick," she says, "is not to actually walk around with my eyes closed, but to defocus my eyes. I've found myself going around my house defocusing and seeing how it is to bump into things. At first, it was hard, but now I'm pretty good at it."

Paul Pfeiffer portrays Harry Roat, the criminal leader and mastermind of the plot. Roat's accomplices are played by Mike Williams and Dixon Gourelly. Vic Evans plays Susy's husband Sam, who is lured out of town by the villains. Gloria, the neighborhood brat, is done by Pay Pumphrey, and Steve Jones and Tom Kloetzli play policemen.

The play, the first of five the Theatre will produce this year, will be shown November 9, 10, and 14 through 17. Dr. Leland Starnes of the Theater Department is directing this production.



## SSC's New Fight Song Lacks Lyrics

There isn't much talk about it on campus, but SSC has a fight song, and it needs words.

The song was selected after a competition last Spring in which students, faculty members, and administrators could submit entries. Of the seven entries received, one melody composed by former student Paul Yutzy was tentatively chosen. After the music was arranged for the marching band this year, another contest was held for the song's lyrics; none of the entries fit the melody chosen.

If the winning music is officially adopted as the college fight song, another contest may be held to find suitable words for it. The committee responsible for selecting the song has already met twice and will meet again to decide whether to have a second competition. Members of this committee include President Crawford's Administrative Assistant Joe Gilbert, Dr. Duane Nichols of the English Department, Dean Richard Yobst, Band Director Charles Smith, Mrs. Marshall Moore, and a student representative from the SGA.

The committee hopes to obtain student response to the song to see if it is an adequate fight song for future use. If the song is defi-

nitely chosen, it could be performed by the band at regular football games.

## Tourney Team Off To New Season

Coverage of the court, consistent serving, hard spikes, and teamwork make up the strategy of Salisbury State's Varsity and Junior Varsity Volleyball Teams.

Seniors Karen Nibbs and Sarah Lloyd share responsibilities as the captains of the varsity team which includes three seniors, three juniors, one sophomore, and three freshmen. Coach Peggy Hueser feels that she has a very strong team; of the eight girls who played in the National Volleyball Tournament in Provo, Utah last year, five of them returned to play again this year. They are Karen Nibbs, Sarah Lloyd, Cindy Stroup, Cecile Morrison and Debbie Hutchinson. The Junior Varsity's team captains are freshmen Venise Bolduc and Sandy Coats. The two juniors, two sophomores, and five freshmen on the team have "greatly improved their skills since practice began" says Coach Hueser.

Salisbury State College belongs to the Association For Intercollegiate Athletics For Women. In order to compete in regional or national events, a college has to belong to this association. The college also belongs to the Maryland Women's Intercollegiate Coaches Association; through this association, all games with Maryland's junior, state, and private colleges are scheduled.

## Harvel Calls Hockey Team "Aggressive"

There are nine returning varsity players on Salisbury State's Girls' Field Hockey Team this year. Coach Lynn Harvel says her varsity team is experienced, they've played together for three years, they are aggressive and strong, and they complement each other well. The captains of the varsity team are Denise Condon and Sue Grudis; other members of the team are Pat Engleman, Chris Stadler, Franki Robbins, Donna Moore, Shirley Cohoe, Chris Gellert, George Ann Wingrove, Debbie Bloodsworth, Sharon Denny, Shelly Cool, Pat Coward, and Rocky Steable.

The Junior Varsity team has a lot of young, first year players; this year they are gaining experience and learning S.S.C.'s strategy. Co-captains of the J.V. team are Pat Blehr and Karen Feller; other team members are Terry Glowacki, Pam Mason, Michelle Cooi, Becky Beachamp, Debbie Lewis, Bonnie Miller, Jeri Moore, Susan Baynard, Vicki Bishop, Gale Demond, and Connie Williams.

Coach Harvel thinks that girls' sports are not looked down upon at S.S.C.; she feels the students are very supportive and pretty enthusiastic about the girls' sports program.

## Sports Schedule

### FOOTBALL

Nov. 3 American U (H) 1:30  
10 Towson State (H) 1:30

### VOLLEYBALL

Nov. 3 Gallaudet, Morgan and Essex (H) 11:00  
6 Georgetown, Pr. George's (A) 7:30  
10 State Tournament (A)

### HOCKEY

Nov. 3 & 4 Washington College Field Hockey Assn. Tournament Frederick, Md.  
16 & 18 S. E. Field Hockey Assn. Tournament Lynchburg, Va.  
22 & 25 National Field Hockey Tournament Boston, Mass.



Paul Arnold, star track runner for SSC, practices with fellow teammates at Salisbury Park.

## Cross Country Team Is Best Ever

With a 6-3-1 slate, the Sea Gulls Cross-Country men are boasting the best athletic scoreboard on the campus. This is the best year the Cross-Country team has had in its three years of existence.

Track coach Lloyd Sigler says this year's team has been boosted with seven performance players. "Usually a team has one man they depend on to win their games, but our team contains several men of good running ability who usually appear within the top ten," explains Sigler. He cites Mike Evans, Ron MacCleod, Paul Arnold, Vernon Johnson, Paul Ferrtan, Bob Leo, and Bob Williams as his

key men on the team.

Paul Arnold was described by Sigler as being his best all-around runner. "He keeps in shape year-round," says the Coach. "This puts him in prime physical shape and ready for the fall season when we start practicing, whereas many others must take extra time to get conditioned."

With the team that he has, and the workout the team members get running the approximately 5½ mile course through the Salisbury Park, Coach Sigler says that SSC's Cross-Country team is ready to be heard in the Mason-Dixon Conference next year.

## Gulls Gain National Ranking In Rushing

As of October 22, the Salisbury State Sea Gulls have been ranked second in the country in Rushing Offense, according to official NAIA statistics just released.

Salisbury has rolled up 1,662 yards in the first five games, for an average of 332 yards and is second throughout the P. S., behind Emporia State College in Kansas.

The NAIA also ranks the Sea Gulls 25th in the U. S. in Passing Defense, holding its first five opponents to only an average of 69 yards. The opponents gained 346 yards total.

Of interest also is the fact that Salisbury State had picked off 13 pass interceptions in five games. Only Elon College in North Carolina had more interceptions — 15. However, Elon had 128 pass attempts, compared to Salisbury's 79, giving the Sea Gulls a better average.

The Sea Gulls rank sixth in the country in Total Offense with 1,946 yards in 321 plays and a 389-yard-per-game total. Only topping the Gulls are Abilene Christian of Texas, Clarion State of Pennsylvania, Emporia State of Kansas, Montana Tech of Montana, and Milliken University of Illinois.

In other statistics, Leon Burke of SSC is tied for 22nd in the country in individual rushing total. Leon averaged 109 yards per game, with 436 yards in 60 plays and a 7.6-yard-per-carry average.



SSC Volleyball Team in action against a tough foe.

## WHAT HAPPENED TO THE INFORMER?

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telephone log.

6) The newspaper is not to be censored by the SGA or the Communications Advisory Board. However, the paper must meet acceptable standards of good journalism and shall not show any intent to be slanderous to any group or individual."

If the *Informer* were dissolved as a corporation, the paper would

have become a part of—and financed by—the SGA instead of merely receiving a donation each year from the Student Government. The newspaper would also become part of the Communications Advisory Board with a voice in the handling of communications on campus.

At the start of the semester, the *Informer* was still a corporation. The first newspaper was late, and the staff was not restructured. The staff, further, did not have an advisor.

## WELCOME SSC ALUMNI

## Chess Team To Compete In Detroit Tournament

The Salisbury State Chess Club will be entering its first team tournament of the year this week. The club, reorganized this year with Mr. Jim Lockood as advisor, will be representing SSC at the Continental and Pan-American Tournament in Detroit the weekend of November 3rd. During the past two weeks club members have been playing chess in the Union and competing to determine who the four best players on campus currently are. They'll comprise the team for the event in Detroit.

At least two members of the club have done well individually in tournaments held earlier this year. George Waterholter took 2nd place at the September Open

tourney held at American University, while Lee Pusey took 3rd place in the prestigious Eastern Open tournament also held in Washington in September. There are now hundreds of chess tournaments held nationwide every year, and the club plans to enter a team in some of them next semester.

Eliminations may be held several times during the year to determine the current tournament team, and any SSC student is eligible to compete for a berth. Anyone interested in playing, at any level from novice to grandmaster, can attend the meetings held every Monday at 6 p.m. in Caruthers 14.

Tom Taylor dismissed Marty Saia for failure to follow the agreements outlined in the letter above. Mr. Saia responded to the charges, saying that he had been in touch with the corporation's lawyer about dissolving the corporation. The process, said Mr. Saia, was lengthy and therefore the corporation was still in existence. The delay in the publication of the first issue was caused by a shortage of newsprint nationwide, and the restructuring was imminent.

On the basis of Mr. Saia's explanation, the SGA decided to give the *Informer* editor a hearing with the Communications Board. Mr. Saia replied that any action that

the CAB might take for or against him would be void because SGA had not yet approved of membership of the CAB and that the Board was not yet a duly constituted body. Since the CAB was the one body that could have re-instated Saia, the editor's dismissal could not be challenged.

The SGA decided that a newspaper was still needed, and directed the CAB to hold interviews of potential editors. After a week of interviews, the CAB selected Luis Luna as the new college newspaper editor. The new staff selected by the editor has named the new paper *The SSC Flyer*, and here it is in its infancy.